

RENTON CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting

August 27, 2001
Monday, 7:30 p.m.

Council Chambers
Municipal Building

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jesse Tanner led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and called the meeting of the Renton City Council to order.

**ROLL CALL OF
COUNCILMEMBERS**

DAN CLAWSON, Council President; TONI NELSON; RANDY CORMAN; DON PERSSON; KING PARKER; TERRI BRIERE; KATHY KEOLKER-WHEELER.

**CITY STAFF IN
ATTENDANCE**

JESSE TANNER, Mayor; JAY COVINGTON, Chief Administrative Officer; ZANETTA FONTES, Assistant City Attorney; MARILYN PETERSEN, City Clerk; GREGG ZIMMERMAN, Planning/Building/Public Works Administrator; MIKE WEBBY, Human Resources Administrator; ALEXANDER PIETSCH, Economic Development Director; DEREK TODD, Assistant to the CAO; COMMANDER ROBERT SEELYE, Police Department.

**ADMINISTRATIVE
REPORT**

Chief Administrative Officer Jay Covington reviewed a written administrative report summarizing the City's recent progress towards goals and work programs adopted as part of its business plan for 2001 and beyond. Items noted included:

- * The City has received the \$500,000 mitigation check from King County Metro for the Eastside Interceptor Earthquake Repair Project in South Renton.
- * The 2001 Fall Recreation brochure is now available at the libraries, the Community Center and at City Hall.

AUDIENCE COMMENT

Citizen Comment: Vandermay
– Fireworks Ban

Evan Vandermay, 806 Index Ct. NE, Renton, 98056, expressed his opposition to a ban on fireworks. He commented that his family and cul-de-sac neighbors enjoy setting off fireworks, and indicated that it is only a few irresponsible people who cause the problems.

Citizen Comment: Cunningham
– Williams Ave S Speeding
Problems

David Cunningham, 420 Williams Ave. S., Renton, 98055, recommended that the City investigate the possibility of installing speed bumps on Williams Ave. S. Stating that vehicles often exceed the 25 mph posted speed limit, he expressed concern for the safety of children who are outside playing. Mr. Cunningham also inquired as to the reason why fire hydrants on the street are placed within six feet of each other.

Mayor Tanner informed Mr. Cunningham that the matter concerning Williams Ave. S. is currently being discussed in the Transportation Committee, and Councilman Parker suggested that the Police Department perform extra traffic emphasis on this street. Planning/Building/Public Works Administrator Gregg Zimmerman said that he would investigate the matter regarding the fire hydrant placement.

Citizen Comment: Halinen –
Liberty Ridge Phase 1,
Edmonds Ave NE (FP-01-097)

David Halinen, 2115 N. 30th St., Suite 203, Tacoma, 98403, stated that the staff report for the Liberty Ridge Phase 1 final plat referenced himself as the applicant, when in fact the applicant is his client, Gary Merlino Construction Company.

CONSENT AGENDA

Items on the consent agenda are adopted by one motion which follows the listing.

Council Minutes of August 20,

Approval of Council minutes of August 20, 2001. Council concur.

2001

City Clerk: Scala InfoChannel
Computer Purchase

City Clerk requested fund allocation from the Fund 127 Cable Communications Development Fund in the amount of \$26,600 to purchase a Scala InfoChannel Computer for text generation and graphics on the City's government access channel. Refer to Finance Committee.

Community Services:
Maplewood Golf Course
Regrade Project (funding)

Community Services and Planning/Building/Public Works Departments requested approval for an intrafund transfer of \$190,000 within the Surface Water Utility CIP budget (421 Fund) and for the allocation of up to \$35,000 of budget reserves from the Maplewood Golf Course System 404 Fund to fund the construction of the Maplewood Golf Course Regrade Project that is needed to protect the golf course and adjacent Maplewood Neighborhood from extreme Cedar River flood flows. Council concur.

Plat: Liberty Ridge Phase 1,
Edmonds Ave NE (FP-01-097)

Development Services Division recommended approval, with conditions, of the Liberty Ridge Phase 1 final plat; 120 single-family lots on 49.8 acres located in the vicinity of Edmonds Ave. NE and NE 3rd and 4th Streets (FP-01-097). Council concur. (See page 297 for resolution.)

Annexation: Johnson, Jericho
Ave NE, NE 6th & NE 9th Sts

Economic Development, Neighborhoods and Strategic Planning Department recommended a public meeting be set on September 10, 2001, to consider the 10% Notice of Intent to Annex Petition for the proposed Johnson Annexation; approximately 121 acres bounded on the east by Jericho Ave. NE, if extended, between NE 6th St., if extended, and NE 9th St., if extended; and extends west and northwest to the City limits. Council concur.

Planning: Boat & Recreational
Vehicle Storage Zoning Text
Amendment (CA Zone)

Economic Development, Neighborhoods and Strategic Planning Department recommended a public hearing be set on September 10, 2001, to consider the zoning text amendment to add recreational vehicle and boat storage to the Commercial Arterial (CA) zone in the Employment Area-Valley land use designation. Council concur.

Police: Vicious Dogs, Dog
Regulations

Legal Division recommended approval of an ordinance which makes dog regulation violations of some statutes an infraction, adds a definition for vicious dogs, and clarifies the confiscation procedure for dangerous dogs. Refer to Public Safety Committee. (See page 295 for committee report and page 297 for ordinance.)

MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL
APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE

Citizen Comment: Key –
Fireworks Ban

An electronic letter was read from Robert and Rosemary Key, 1008 Anacortes Ave., NE, Renton, 98059, requesting that Council implement a fireworks ban in the City of Renton. MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL REFER THIS CORRESPONDENCE TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE. CARRIED.

OLD BUSINESS

Community Services Committee

Appointment: Human Rights &
Affairs Commission

Community Services Committee Chair Nelson presented a report recommending concurrence in the Mayor's appointment of Lari White to the Human Rights and Affairs Commission to fill an unexpired two-year term expiring April 25, 2003. Ms. White replaces Donna Wang who resigned on June 19, 2001. MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY PARKER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Public Safety Committee

Public Safety Committee Chair Corman presented a report recommending

Police: Vicious Dogs, Dog
Regulations

referral to the full Council the revised vicious animal ordinance that defines the term "vicious" and establishes a procedure for impounding vicious animals. MOVED BY CORMAN, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT AS AMENDED TO HAVE THE ORDINANCE PRESENTED FOR FIRST READING AT THIS MEETING. CARRIED. (See page 297 for ordinance.)

Police: Sexual Offender
Notification

Public Safety Committee Chair Corman presented a report recommending continuance of community notifications of registered sex offenders with the Washington State Law Enforcement Bulletin and Instruction – Section E. The Committee referred to the Administration the request to publicize registered sex offender information on the City's government access channel. MOVED BY CORMAN, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Police: Directional Parking
Violations

Public Safety Committee Chair Corman presented a report recommending continued enforcement of directional parking violations in residential neighborhoods and referred to the Administration possible public information methods to better inform residents of the parking ordinances. Moved by Corman, seconded by Nelson, Council concur in the Committee report.*

Responding to Council President Clawson's inquiry regarding the necessity for this law, Councilman Corman stated that it was the opinion of the Committee that the City should comply with State law. Commenting that the City has adopted the State law and it is in the City Code, Mayor Tanner explained the reasons why the law is in place.

Suggesting that the Committee report be held, Council President Clawson explained that he has been in communication with a citizen that would like the opportunity to comment on this matter to Council. Councilman Corman said that he did not object to holding the report. Councilwoman Keolker-Wheeler suggested that the City educate the public that this practice is illegal and unsafe, and recommended warnings be issued to first-time violators.

*Motion withdrawn. (This item will remain in Committee.)

Transportation Committee

Transportation: N 33rd Pl
Condominium, Potential
Parking Problems

Transportation Committee Chair Persson presented a report regarding the potential parking violations at N. 33rd Pl. condominiums. The Transportation Committee recommended that City staff take no further action on the complaint of potential parking violations adjacent to the alley at 3306 Lake Washington Blvd. N. The parking problems were investigated by City staff and the Transportation Committee. Development Services and the City Attorney reviewed the City parking regulations and it was determined that there were no violations of the City parking code.

The Fire Department also determined that there were no violations of the Fire Code, and there were no City requirements for an additional fire lane beyond the existing platted public alley. The only apparent remedies for solution of this parking problem are through private actions by the affected parties through arbitration or court action. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Transportation: Railroad
Crossing Hazard at Kennydale
Beach

Transportation Committee Chair Persson presented a report regarding the installation of railroad track warning signs. Due to citizen concerns, the Transportation Committee recommended Council request the Administration to install railroad track warning signs at Kennydale Beach Park. One sign is to be installed in the public right-of-way approaching the park stairway entering the park, and one sign is to be installed in the park on the approach to the stairway leaving the park. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Transportation: Traffic Signal
Installation at NE 4th St &
Anacortes Ave SE

Transportation Committee Chair Persson presented a report regarding the SE 4th St. and Anacortes Ave. SE traffic sign modification. Due to increased traffic volumes and citizen concerns, the Transportation Committee recommended Council request the Administration to install stop signs to improve the safety at the intersection of SE 4th St. and Anacortes Ave. SE. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Finance Committee
Finance: Vouchers

Finance Committee Chair Parker presented a report recommending approval of Claim Vouchers 195742 – 196172, and two wire transfers totaling \$3,080,497.07; and approval of Payroll Vouchers 33352 – 33705, 545 direct deposits and two wire transfers totaling \$1,677,200.29. MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

EDNSP: Hotel/Motel Tax
Revenue Allocations (Renton
Lodging Tax Advisory
Committee),
Hamilton/Saunderson Contract

Finance Committee Chair Parker presented a report recommending approval of the recommendations of the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee to extend the Renton Community Marketing Campaign as follows:

1. Allocate \$35,000 of hotel/motel tax collections to the Renton Community Marketing Campaign.
2. Earmark \$10,000 of that sum specifically for one-time capital expenses incurred in association with opening a Community Marketing Center in downtown Renton.
3. Authorize Mayor Jesse Tanner to sign an amendment to the contract with Hamilton/Saunderson, marketing consultants, for services performed August 1, 2001 to December 31, 2001.

Funding for the fourth year of the Community Marketing Campaign will be addressed in January, 2002.

Councilman Parker stated that the Renton Community Marketing Campaign stakeholders are as follows: City of Renton, Renton School District, Renton Technical College, Valley Medical Center, Greater Renton Chamber of Commerce and the Renton Lodging Association. He expressed his appreciation for the support the City has received from the stakeholders and praised the "Ahead of the Curve" marketing campaign. Mr. Parker explained that the Community Marketing Center will be located in the retail area of the Burnett Station apartment complex and will be used by the stakeholders for meetings and presentations.

MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT.*

Responding to Council inquiry, Economic Development Director Alexander Pietsch explained that Centex Homes is leasing retail space at Burnett Station, and the Community Marketing Campaign stakeholders will be subletting approximately 500 square feet of that space. The Community Marketing Center will be equipped with conferencing and presentation facilities, and will contain static displays of current community projects.

*MOTION CARRIED.

Community Services:
Kennydale Beach
Improvements Status Request

Councilwoman Keolker-Wheeler requested a status report on the Kennydale Beach slope improvements.

Community Services: Cedar
River Trail Survey

Councilwoman Keolker-Wheeler recommended that writing implements be provided along with the Cedar River Trail survey to make it easier for trail users to fill out the survey.

Community Services: Roxy
Theater Sign Update

Councilwoman Keolker-Wheeler requested an update on the Roxy Theater sign.

Planning: Shoreline
Regulations

Councilwoman Keolker-Wheeler commented on a letter received from the Association of Washington Cities regarding the State Legislature's failure to fund local shoreline regulations, and she inquired if the City has decided how it is going to respond to this issue. Mayor Tanner said that the City Attorney investigated the possibility of the City joining the lawsuit filed by affected cities against the Department of Ecology and has recommended against it. Chief Administrative Officer Jay Covington reported that City staff is investigating the impact and cost of meeting the shoreline requirements, and information will be provided to Council in two weeks.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions were presented for reading and adoption:

Resolution #3524

Transportation: Maple Valley
Hwy (SR-169) HOV/Queue
Jump Project, WSDOT

A resolution was read authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into an interlocal cooperative agreement with the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) for grant funding for the project known as Maple Valley Highway (SR-169) HOV/Queue Jump Project. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.

Resolution #3525

Plat: Liberty Ridge Phase 1,
Edmonds Ave NE (FP-01-097)

A resolution was read approving the Liberty Ridge Phase 1 final plat; 49.8 acres located in the vicinity of NE 3rd and 4th Streets, and Edmonds Ave. NE (FP-01-097). MOVED BY CORMAN, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.

The following ordinance was presented for first reading and referred to the Council meeting of 9/10/2001 for second and final reading:

Police: Vicious Dogs, Dog
Regulations

An ordinance was read amending Section 5-4-1 of Chapter 4, Animal Licenses, of Title V (Finance and Business Regulations); and Sections 6-6-1, 6-6-3, 6-6-4, 6-6-5, and 6-6-9, of Chapter 6, Animals and Fowl at Large, of Title VI (Police Regulations) of City Code by making the violation of some statutes an infraction, adding a definition, and clarifying the confiscation procedure for dangerous dogs. MOVED BY CORMAN, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL AMEND THE ORDINANCE TO ADD SERVICE DOGS (IN

ADDITION TO TRAINED SEEING EYE DOGS) TO SECTION 6-6-5.B.4, AND REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 9/10/2001. CARRIED.

The following ordinance was presented for first reading at the meeting of 8/20/2001; changes were made to the ordinance and it was recommended that the ordinance be presented again for first reading and advanced to second and final reading:

Planning: Downtown Owner
Occupied Housing Incentive
District (Fees Waived)

An ordinance was read adding a new Section, 4-1-210, "Waived Fees," to Chapter 1, Administration and Enforcement, of Title IV (Development Regulations) of City Code by allowing certain development and mitigation fees to be waived. MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL ADVANCE THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING. CARRIED.

Ordinance #4913

Planning: Downtown Owner
Occupied Housing Incentive
District (Fees Waived)

Following second and final reading of the above ordinance, it was MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

The following ordinances were presented for second and final reading and adoption:

Ordinance #4914

Vacation: Alley Between Lind
& Seneca Aves, and SW 12th
& 13th Sts (VAC-99-001)

An ordinance was read vacating an alley located between Lind and Seneca Avenues SW and SW 12th and SW 13th Streets (File No. VAC-99-001). MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

Ordinance #4915

Planning: IM Zone Amend re:
Adult Day Care

An ordinance was read amending Section 4-2-060.G and 4-2-070.Q, of Chapter 2, Land Use Districts, of Title IV (Development Regulations) of City Code by amending the Industrial-Medium (IM) zone to change processing requirements for Adult Day Care. MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL ADJOURN. CARRIED. Time: 8:30 p.m.


MARILYN J. PETERSEN, CMC, City Clerk